

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Jiang	Art Unit:	3766
Serial No.:	10/629,291	Examiner:	Gedeon, Brian T
Filed:	01/08/2003		
Docket No.:	A329-USA		
For:	Material and Method of Forming Yttria-Stabilized Zirconia to Minimize Low-Temperature Degradation		

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of 06/25/2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The Examiner requires restriction to one of three classes, Class I, claims 1-28, drawn to a method of forming an implantable housing. Class II, claims 29-31, drawn to an inert ceramic comprised of tetragonal polycrystal zirconia, or Class III, claims 32-34, drawn to an implantable microstimulator housing.

CLAIMS

The Claims are restated with no amendments except that claims 29-34 are cancelled according to the present restriction requirement.

DISCUSSION

Applicant elects Class I, claims 1-28.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney

at the Los Angeles, California area telephone number (661) 702-6814 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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